Development of Infrastructure for Holding National Games

2178. SHRI W. ANGOU SINGH: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOUCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the required infrastructure of sports for holding National Games in a State;

(b) the assistance extended by Government for the development of the said infrastructure for holding National Games in a State; and

(c) the names of additional games allowed to be included in the items of sports in the National Games?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS) (SHRI R. DHANUSHKODI ATHITHAN): (a) Sports infrastructure required for National Games depends upon the disciplines included in the Games by the Indian Olympic Assocation in consultation with State Olympic Association.

(b) The Government of India provides lump-sum assistance for the development of infrastructure for the National Games to the concerned State Governmet depending upon its requirement and availability of financial resources.

(c) Kabaddi and kho-kho are the two traditional Indian Games which have been included in the National Games by the Indian Olympic Associaton.

Clash of Dates of Entrance Examinations

2179. SHRI RAJ NATH SINGH: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOUCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether universities are charging exorbitant fee from students of general catergory appearing in entrance examinations of post-graduate courses, such and MCA and MBA, if so, the reasons therefor;

(b) whether dates of such 'heavily priced' examinations often clash, and thereby mar the career prospects of several students, besides wasting their money; if .so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the clash of date of MCA entracc examinations of JNU and Uttar Pradesh, both falling on 18th May, 1997, is one such instance; and

(d) the steps taken by Government to remove this clash of date of the two examinations?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCACTION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA): (a) According to the information furnished by All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE), the fee structure and entrance examination fee for M.C.A. and M.B.A., courses is determined by the respective State Governments or the concerned Universities. AICTE has no specific information in this regard.

(b) AICTE is in touch with the State Governmetns and Universities in order to avoid clash of dates of Entrance Examinations as far as possible.

(c) According to the information furnished by Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU), the Entrance Examination for admission to M.C.A. Programme is scheduled to be held on 17.5.1997.

(d) Does not arise.

Grants Accorded to the Asiatic Society

2180. SHRI ASHOK MITRA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the total amount of grants and subsidies accorded to the Asiatic Society at Calcutta in each of the year since 1994-95;

(b) whether the Controller and Auditor General of India has submitted any report on the utilisation of Centre funds by the Society; and

(c) whether the Society is yet to formulate recruitment, service and retirement benefit rules for its employees?